

ANTELOPE

Highlights of Proposed Antelope Hunt Changes For 2004

Tag Quotas Changed

The number of tags available for existing zones and hunts may change from last year. Final number of tags will be determined after survey data are analyzed in March.

Ash Creek Junior Pronghorn Antelope Hunt Changed

The hunt boundaries are expanded and the season is extended to coincide with Zone 5 - Big Valley Hunt. The season will open on the Saturday following the third Wednesday in August and continue for nine (9) consecutive days. Name of the hunt changed to **Big Valley Junior Pronghorn Antelope Hunt** since hunting will expand beyond the Ash Creek Wildlife Area.

Honey Lake Junior Pronghorn Antelope Hunt Changed

The hunt boundaries expanded to coincide with Zone 4 - Lassen and extends the season to coincide with Period One for Zone 4 - Lassen Hunt. The season will open on the Saturday following the third Wednesday in August and continue for nine (9) consecutive days. Name of the hunt changed to **Lassen Junior Pronghorn Antelope Hunt** since hunting will expand beyond the Honey Lake Wildlife Area.

New Surprise Valley Junior Pronghorn Antelope Hunt

The hunt boundaries and season will coincide with Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Hunt. The season will open on the Saturday following the third Wednesday in August and continue for nine (9) consecutive days.

Application Requirements for Pronghorn Antelope

Applicants must be residents, 12 years of age or older at the time of application and possess a 2004/2005 California hunting license. Applicants for buck antelope tags must not have received a buck antelope tag in the past 10 years (1994 or later). Applicants for Junior Hunts are exempt from this requirement.

Application Requirements for Junior Antelope Hunts

Applicants must be residents and possess a 2004/2005 California junior hunting license. If drawn, junior hunters must be accompanied by an adult chaperon, 18 years of age or older.

Antelope Tag Fees

The fee for a 2004/2005 Antelope tag is \$99.75.

BIGHORN SHEEP

Application Requirements

Applicants must be 16 years of age or older at the time of application, possess a 2004/2005 California hunting license and must not have received a California bighorn sheep tag in any prior year. Both residents and nonresidents may apply but only one nonresident may be drawn.

Bighorn Sheep Tag Fee

The fee for a 2004/2005 Resident Sheep tag is \$281.50. The fee for a 2004/2005 Nonresident Sheep tag is \$500.00.

Quota Splits for Elk, Pronghorn Antelope and Bighorn Sheep Tags

- For quotas of one (1), the tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of two (2), one (1) tag shall be awarded using Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of three (3), two (2) tags shall be awarded using Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of four (4) or more, seventy-five percent (75%) of the quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing. The remaining portion of the quota shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.